## LEHI FIRE DEPARTMENT

# Fully Involved

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## Firefighter of the Year

#### Lehi City Employee Earns Firefighter of the Year Award

Lehi's Captain Jake Beck receives award from the Utah Valley Chapter of the National Exchange Club

*Teisha Wilson, Lehi City, Utah* | *December 6, 2012* — Lehi City firefighter, Captain Jake Beck, received the Firefighter of the Year Award from the Utah Valley Chapter of the National Exchange Club, and was honored at the club meeting on November 28<sup>th</sup>, in Orem.

"This is a great accomplishment for Jake and for the City," said Mayor Bert Wilson. "He has gone far above and beyond what is expected and the citizens of Lehi are the ones who benefit."

The Utah Valley Chapter of the National Exchange Club requests nominations from every city in Utah County. A selection committee then reviews the applicants and selects the fire-



fighter who deserves to be honored for criteria such as: their exemplary efforts in contributing to the community, going beyond the call of duty in their position, passing advanced training and other qualifications.

Captain Jake Beck has excelled as the Lehi Fire Department's training officer. In addition to organizing the everyday trainings, Captain Beck has been the moving force for a number of specialized areas in which Lehi has taken the lead in the County. Examples of that training includes burn house, acquired live structure burns, driver training task books, life flight, technical rescue, FrontRunner, and MAYDAY.

Continuous and productive training is very important to the Lehi Fire Department. Captain Beck's myriad of trainings have provided Lehi City firefighters the opportunity to know how to instinctively react productively in dangerous situations which will save lives.

"Captain Beck has excelled beyond our expectations and does more than his job description requires," said Fire Chief Dale Ekins. "We appreciate his efforts and dedication to the community."



### Featured Call

On November 27, 2012 Company 81 and Battalion Chief 81 were dispatched to a report of a 7 year old male who was found unresponsive and not breathing. A medical helicopter was requested en-route to rendezvous with A-81 at American Fork ER. On arrival PD came out the front door holding the child and entered the back of A-81. Patient condition was deteriorating quickly. A rapid assessment revealed agonal respirations with no air exchange present. Peripheral pulses were present. Patient was manually ventilated via bag valve mask (BVM) at 100% O2 causing acute abdominal distention. Laryngoscopy attempted and airway was opened to inspect for a possible

Firefighter Ryan Kimball foreign body occlusion. Airway was suctioned and vocal cords were visualized to show no sign of a foreign body obstruction. Patient was then intubated and capnography placed. Patient's skin color improved immediately. Oxygen saturation improved and patient became more responsive. On arrival at American Fork ER report was given to Dr. Bentley. Patient was then sedated with Versed and Propofol. Life Flight crew arrived and packaged patient for transport to Primary Children's Medical Center ER. X-ray confirmed proper tube placement prior to lift off. A handful of jelly beans were found in patient's pant pocket en-route and presumed to be the culprit of this airway obstruction. Later, feedback from the flight crew to Chief Howard was positive for an obstruction caused by a jelly bean. Further update revealed that patient had been extubated and was doing well.

#### Reminder Winter Fire School Classes are filling up FAST!!

Winter Fire School is being held at the Dixie Center in St. George January 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> 2013



## PEDIATRIC ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT (PALS) TRAINING

PALS training is required every 2 years and is a course designed by the American Heart Association (AHA). It is one of the qualifying pediatric courses required by the Utah State Bureau of EMS to maintain Paramedic Certification; however, all members of Lehi Fire Department completed the course no matter their level of certification. The course includes respiratory & shock emergencies along with cardiac emergencies. Each student is required to pass a written test as well as a practical test including 2 scenarios. Paramedics Shad Hatfield and Dan Harris were the course instructors and our medical director Dr. Brad Bentley participated in the practical testing.























## **Lehi Fire Department Sawyer Training**

- Chainsaw operation, maintenance & safety
- Personal protective equipment
- Sizing up a tree
- Knowing the dangers involved with falling a tree.
- Proper ways to fall a tree Instructor Cory Taylor





#### Call Totals for the Month of November...

Station 81

Fire: 37
Medical: 63
Total: 100

Station 82

Fire: 29
Medical: 64
Total: 93





Rickey Casper 12/11

Lincoln Paxman 12/20

John Hammond 12/23

Trenton Stanley 12/29



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# December 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						Bountiful Bas- kets Food Co-op - station 82
2	3	4 NinthBrain Training	5 NinthBrain Training	6	7 NinthBrain Training	Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op-station 82
9	Payroll	11	12	Officer's Meeting @ station 82	14	Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op - station 81 & 82
16	17	18 City Christmas Party @ Jack & Jill's Bowling	19	20	21	Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op-station 81 & 82
23	Payroll Christmas Eve	Merry Christmas!	26	27	28	Bountiful Bas-
30	New Years 31 Eve					kets Food Co-op - station 81 & 82